GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a steady increase in the sexually transmitted diseases in the North-Eastern States, especially Sikkim;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to educate the people to check the spread of these killer diseases?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSBMI)

(a) & (b): As per reports received from State AIDS Control Societies of the North Eastern States, the number of reported STI cases for last three years, including Sikkim is given below. The number of cases reported from Sikkim is 110 in year 2004, 22 in year 2005 and 56 in year 2006.

Year	No. of reported STI cases fromNE states
2004	24717
2005	32306
2006	26972

(c): National AIDS Control Programme provides financial support to STI clinics for procurement of drugs and training of personnel. Awareness programmes on prevention of STI are carried out by using various mass-media channels and interpersonal communication with emphasis on safe sex including condom.